



# Beverley District High School

Independent Public School

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Our School Voice

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## News Updates and Reminders

- Swimming Time Trials Yr 3-10, tomorrow **Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> February, 2018.**
- Schools Tennis Classic Yr 5/6 Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> February, 2018.
- Faction Swimming Carnival Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> March, 2018.
- Labour Day Holiday, Monday 5<sup>th</sup> March 2018.
- Interschool Swimming Carnival at Beverley, Friday 16<sup>th</sup> March 2018.

## Check Connect Notices

- Positive Parenting Program
- Easter Art Prize entry form and Term and Conditions.

## On a roll for 2018

We are well and truly back at school with swimming lessons successfully completed and normal programming up and running. Our very successful programs that are key parts of our school plan are continuing in 2018 and we expect to continue to build on the great results that our students have been achieving in literacy and numeracy. Our Macqlit and Grow a Reader program will continue this year to ensure that all of our students are performing at or above the Literacy standard, and no-one 'slips through the cracks'. We will be beginning maths support programs in the next few weeks.

In the meantime, all of our primary and secondary students have access to laptops and Ipads each day to allow them to develop the ICT skills that will be so important to them in their future schooling and working lives. Our students have a rich Arts program, with a focus this year on dance and drama, and are continuing to develop their scientific understandings. We were delighted with the students' results in national testing in Science, and look forward to our programs continuing to drive strong performance in this area.

Our School Board is responsible for setting the school's strategic direction, monitoring performance against our stated targets, and ensuring that resources are directed towards the achievement of outcomes for students. Our new School Board Chair for 2018 is Carly Veitch. Our other parent representatives are Ros Mellick, Lisa Blanch and Damien Murray. Our next meeting, to be held on 14 March from 7pm at the school, is an open public meeting, and all parents are welcome to attend to find out more about how the Board works.

### Naplan Online

**NAPLAN tests are going online!** After a successful trial at the end of 2017, our school has been given the go-ahead to run the national testing program online this year.

Only Year 3 writing will remain a paper and pencil test. This is great news for students, who typically prefer online assessments to paper and pencil ones, and also great news for the school, because we get results back more quickly.

### Library craft activities

Our students are just loving being in the **school library** at recess and lunch. Our library officer, Mrs Jo Sims, has created a really inviting space, full of wonderful books (of course), but also great activities for clever and creative students who want to dabble at **art or construction projects**.

We are requesting donations of craft bibs and bobs to help fuel all this creativity! Donations of coloured paper and card, fabric pieces, colourful plastic lids, masking tape or any other exciting materials would be greatly appreciated. No boxes please, and everything clean!

### Canteen helpers

For our P&C canteen to run every Friday, we really need parents and grandparents to help **fill the roster**. A once per term commitment for a few hours on a Friday morning would be wonderful! Please contact the school office or Monica Van Der Snoek on 0474 105 242 to book in a day to help out.

Term	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Week 5	Feb 26 <sup>th</sup>	27 <sup>th</sup> Schools Tennis Classic Yr 5/6	28 <sup>th</sup>	March 1 <sup>st</sup> Early Close	2 <sup>nd</sup> Faction Swimming Carnival Canteen Open
Week 6	5 <sup>th</sup> Labour Day Holiday	6 <sup>th</sup>	7 <sup>th</sup>	8 <sup>th</sup> Newsletter Early Close	9 <sup>th</sup> Canteen Open

## Swimming Time Trials

All students in Yr 3-10 will be participating in swimming time trials tomorrow, Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> February, at 1-20pm. Please remember towel, bathers, goggles and sunscreen.



On Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> April, 2018 we will be holding an 'Open Afternoon', commencing at 2-30pm. You can visit your child's classroom and then be entertained as students showcase their talents in a dance extravaganza, Choir performance and more. The formalities will conclude with a fantastic Prize Draw at 4.30pm. Look forward to seeing you there.



## KEEP THE DATE FREE

### ROCK AND WATER

At Beverley we have been running a Rock and Water Program with our students for the past two years. This program aims to raise student's self-awareness of their personal strengths and abilities and work on how to play, work and live together in our ever changing world. Our Year 5/6 Class have been enjoying working with our school chaplain Chris Footer and Mrs Murray each week learning new strategies to enhance their understanding of themselves and others, and how they can overcome difficulties that they are faced with in day to day life by staying strong and recognising if they need to use 'Rock' or 'Water'.

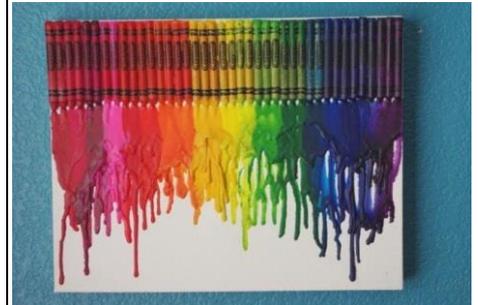


P&C Update:

Easter Art Exhibition

Thank you to the parents and volunteers for their hard work at our last Nature Playground busy bee. Your efforts were greatly appreciated. To complete this wonderful addition to our school grounds we are planning another busy bee on **Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> March, from 7.30am to 12.30pm.** If you are able, please bring along, shovels, wheelbarrows or sanding equipment. For further information contact Jacinta Murray on 0417977429.

Do you enjoy painting or drawing? The Beverley Art Prize will be held in the Beverley Town Hall on the Easter Long Weekend.



Prizes to be won for children of all ages. Entry forms can be located in the Connect Library or please contact the Exhibition Secretary [wk.mclean@bigpond.com](mailto:wk.mclean@bigpond.com) or 0427464050 **Entry forms due on 2nd March 2018**

Alec's first Kindy Painting



A dragon

Dakota's first Kindy Painting



A butterfly

Sasha's first Kindy Painting



A beautiful princess

Alice's first Kindy Painting



A turtle

**Thank You**

The staff and students of BDHS would like to thank David and Gina Adams for kindly removing the left over sand and rubbish from our stormwater harvesting dam. Your thoughtfulness is greatly appreciated.